

Memorandum

PREPARED FOR: Senate Committee on Rules
DATE: January 27, 2025
BY: Leslie Porter, Legislative Analyst
RE: Legislative Review of Executive Appointments



COMMISSION ON ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER AFFAIRS

The Governor has appointed the following individual to the Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs subject to Senate confirmation.¹

New Appointee

Huong Tran of Bend

Term

March 15, 2025 – March 14, 2029

Appointment/Confirmation Authority

[ORS 185.610 \(2023\)](#)

Statement of Economic Interest²

Not required.

Composition³

The commission consists of 11 Oregon residents who represent Asian and Pacific Islander (API) Americans:

- one Senator appointed by the President of the Senate (DEMBROW);
- one Representative appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives (VACANT); and
- nine members appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate (AKKARAJU, BULLING, DERTING, KIM, LEUNG, PHAN, RAJAGOPAL-DURBIN, TANEGA, **TRAN**).

Members serve four-year terms. The commission elects a chair and vice chair for one-year terms. A majority of members constitutes a quorum.

Duties⁴

The commission works toward the implementation and establishment of economic, social, legal, and political equality for API Americans and assesses the issues and needs confronting them.

¹ [Or. Const. art. III sect. 4](#), [ORS 171.562 and 171.565 \(2023\)](#).

² [ORS 244.050 \(2023\)](#).

³ [ORS 185.610 \(2023\)](#); [ORS 182.100 \(2023\)](#) for affirmative action policy; [ORS 236.115 \(2023\)](#) for diversity criteria.

⁴ [ORS 185.620 and 185.625 \(2023\)](#).

The commission must

- identify barriers to the economic development and trade opportunities of API Americans, and advise state agencies and officials on issues related to those barriers;
- establish an API Affairs Network;
- identify and examine the needs of API American residents;
- compile information relating to services available to API American residents;
- develop and sponsor programs in cooperation with API American groups and organizations to inform API American residents of services available to them;
- assess all state agencies' programs operating for the benefit of API American residents and make recommendations for improvement;
- serve as liaison to other state boards and commissions as required by law;
- submit a biennial report to the Governor describing API American needs and programs, projects, and activities that the commission will undertake; and
- meet at least annually in a joint meeting of the Commission on Asian and Pacific Islander Affairs, the Commission on Hispanic Affairs, the Commission on Black Affairs, and the Commission for Women to consider and act upon issues of mutual importance to the missions and statutory duties of the commissions.



Asian and Pacific Islanders Affairs, Commission on

Agency: **Advocacy Commissions Office**

Authorization: **ORS 185.610**

Min Members: **11** Max Members: **11**

Term Length: **4** Term Limit: **2**

Senate Confirmation Required?: **Yes**

Policy Area: **Racial Justice & Equity**

Board Admin: **Terrence Saunders**

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Current Appointments

Rajagopal-Durbin, Aparna

Term(s): **6/22/2023 - 5/22/2025**

Position Number: **1**

Ms Leung, Jacqueline "Jackie"

Term(s): **9/25/2020 - 9/24/2024**

Position Number: **2**

9/25/2017 - 9/24/2020

Iglesias, John

Term(s): **11/20/2021 - 11/19/2025**

Position Number: **3**

Derting, Mickie

Term(s): **2/16/2024 - 6/9/2026**

Position Number: **4**

Tanega, Joselito

Term(s): **9/25/2024 - 9/24/2028**

Position Number: **5**

4/26/2023 - 9/24/2024

Kim, Sy

Term(s): **6/5/2024 - 2/28/2026**

Position Number: **6**

Bulling, Lorne

Term(s): **4/26/2023 - 3/14/2025**

Position Number: **7**

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Term(s): **3/15/2025 - 3/14/2029**

Position Number: **7**

Phan, Sam

Term(s): **3/1/2022 - 2/28/2026**

Position Number: **8**

Akkaraju, Padma

Term(s): **6/22/2023 - 6/21/2027**

Position Number: **9**

Senator Dembrow, Michael

Term(s): **-**

Senator

Position Number: **10**

Representative Nguyen, Daniel

Term(s): -

Representative

Position Number: **11**

Vacant Positions
